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In claim 17, line 3, -- an aperture -- has been deleted and "a fenestration" has been added after defines.

In claim 17, line 5, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 17, line 8, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 17, line 9, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 17, line 11, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 19, line ³~~2~~, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 25, line 3, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 25, line 5, -- aperture -- has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

Claim 29 has been replaced with the following amended claim:

A covering for an aseptic treatment site comprising:

a substrate defining a fenestration which permits selective access to an aseptic treatment site on a patient; and

a transparent cover which is releasably adhesively affixed to the substrate and positioned in covering relation relative to the fenestration, said transparent cover having an upper surface and a lower surface, said lower surface having a pattern of adhesive thereon for

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releasably adhesively affixing the transparent cover to the substrate, wherein a portion of the lower surface of the transparent cover that extends over the fenestration is free of adhesive;

wherein the substrate comprises a first region having a first region outer periphery, and a selectively detachable second region joined to the first region along the first region outer periphery, said transparent cover being positioned completely within the first region outer periphery.

In claim 30, line 3, - - an aperture - - has been deleted and "a fenestration" has been added after defining.

In claim 30, line ¹⁵42, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 31, line 2, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 31, line 3, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 31, line 4, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 33, line 2, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 33, line 3, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 35, line 3, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 35, line 4, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 36, line 3, - - an aperture - - has been deleted and "a fenestration" has been added after and.

In claim 36, line 4, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 36, line 5, "viewable and" has been added after is.

In claim 36, line ⁵~~6~~, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 36, line ⁸~~9~~, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 38, line 3, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 38, line 4, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 38, line 5, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

In claim 39, line ²~~3~~, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 40, line 3, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 41, line ³~~4~~, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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In claim 41, line ⁵~~6~~, - - aperture - - has been deleted and "fenestration" has been added after the.

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The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The subject matter of the independent claim(s) could either not be found or was not suggested in the prior art of record. The subject matter not found was a second region of drape material surrounding the outer region periphery of the first region of drape material, which has a fenestration, and wherein the second region can be selectively detached from the first region; and a transparent cover completely within the first region's periphery.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brandon Jackson whose telephone number is (571)272-3414. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 8-5:30.